State of Michigan Family Independence Agency

FACT SHEET

(**January 2003**)

Earned Income

- The percent of targeted* FIP cases reporting earned income in January was 39 percent.
- Cases without earned income decreased from 179,731 in October 1992 to 55,205 in January 2003.
- Between October 1992 and January 2003, 337,343 cases were closed as a result of earnings.

FIP Caseload

- The FIP caseload total in January was 72,463 cases, on a par with the caseload in April 1970, when it was 71,758.
- With the exception of twenty-two increases, the caseload has declined each month since March 1994 84 out of the previous 106 months.
- The FIP caseload has declined 68 percent since March 1994, the most recent caseload peak. The March 1994 total was 226,863.
- The January FIP recipient total was 196,473. The recipient total is comparable to mid-1968. (FIA did not record recipient totals for periods prior to October 1969 when the total was 223,399).
- Approximately 63% of the FIP caseload are either deferred from work requirements (22,000) or are cases with ineligible grantees (23,000) and there is no expectation for/of work.
- As of January, 6,796 cases have exceeded the 60 month federal TANF time limit. (TANF regulations allow states to exempt 20% of the caseload from the limit, due to hardship.)

Child Day Care

• The total day care caseload in January was 67,111 representing care for 127,243 children. The day care caseload has increased by 38.8 percent since October 1997, when 48,336 families (83,952 children) received day care.

Food Assistance Program

- The Food Assistance Program caseload is 356,109 households representing 816,492 individuals. Since December 2000, this caseload has increased by 101,186 households or 39.7 percent.
- * Note: Targeted cases are those cases required to work. Cases open less than 60 days and those deferred or exempt from Work First are not included.